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WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU ANNOUNCES NARROWBAND PCS WEBSITE REDESIGN

The Federal Communications Commission's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau announces the redesign of its Narrowband Personal Communications Service (PCS) website located at the URLhttp://wireless.fcc.gov/services/narrowbandpcs/. The new site, which employs the retooled navigational structure and layout designed to improve usability for all bureau service websites, addresses issues related to narrowband PCS services such as two-way paging and other text-based services. The design used for the new website emphasizes and better organizes the information most frequently sought by licensees and consumers interested in narrowband PCS. Visitors will find quick and easy access to:

- Consolidated Data Resources including bandplan and channel allocation charts, downloadable market area maps, spectrum auction re-caps, and annual Commercial Mobile Radio Services (CMRS) Competition Reports.
- *Licensing Process Details* a step-by-step summary, filing procedures for existing licensees, construction requirements, and current methods for obtaining spectrum.
- *Operational Issues* an overview of Blocking & Jamming rules and links to related Tower and Antenna Siting information.

Also, for user convenience, the bureau compiles and provides access to official FCC documents related to narrowband PCS rules and licensing on a "Releases" page.

This redesign is part of the bureau's continuing effort to enhance web-based services for the public.

Users who bookmarked Personal Communication Services at the URL http://wireless.fcc.gov/pcs/ should note the new URL for narrowband PCS is

http://wireless.fcc.gov/services/narrowbandpcs/>.

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